SFD Dispatch Policy and Guideline Manual

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HAZARDOUS MATERIAL INCIDENTS

The Springdale Fire Department has designated Engine 3 as its Hazmat Company. This Engine is staffed with Hazardous Materials Specialists and Technicians and will be assigned to all hazardous material incidents.

HAZ-MAT INCIDENT OR POSSIBLE HAZ-MAT INCIDENT IN SPRINGDALE

The fire call taker needs to follow the appropriate Fire Priority Dispatch Protocol and put the call into the CAD utilizing the "HAZMATI" unicode.

Initial dispatch for a Hazmat Alarm is a Level II Alarm with the addition of Hazmat 1 and the Engine 3 Hazmat Company.

Hazmat 1 (located at station1), 2 Engines, 1 Truck, 1 Ambulance, Rescue 1, and the Engine 3 Hazmat Company. Battalion 1 will respond if available.

On the initial dispatch, ensure you relay that this is a Hazmat incident.

While units are responding to the incident, contact the Tulsa National Weather Service (800-697-2636) or consult the Weather Channel to collect the current wind speed, direction, and temperature for the area of the incident. Once this information has been collected, immediately pass it on to the responding units.

Contact Fayetteville CDC and ask that Fayetteville Engine 7 Hazmat Company be placed on standby. Provide them with an address and incident type if possible.

Send a text alert via the Cooper System to the "SFD HazMat Incident Notification" group as soon as possible. This text alert is only a notification of the incident, not a request to respond. (This group includes all Command Staff and off-duty Hazmat Specialist)

If the call started as a spill (Level 1 assignment) rather than being reported as a hazmat incident, upgrade the call to a Hazmat Alarm by making it a complete full assignment with the addition of Hazmat 1 and the Engine 3 Hazmat Company. If Engine 3 happened to be the initial engine on the assignment, be sure to dispatch an additional engine so that Engine 3 personnel can fulfill their roles with complete manpower.

HAZ-MAT INCIDENT OUTSIDE OF SPRINGDALE

The Springdale Fire Department has agreements with Benton and Washington Counties to respond a hazmat response to any reported Hazmat incidents within Washington County and a portion of Benton County (see map).

The standard outside the city assignment is Hazmat 1, Engine 3, and a Squad (if the incident is in our normal EMS response area)

When a Hazmat incident occurs in the City of Fayetteville, CDC will contact Springdale and ask that the Engine 3 Hazmat Company be placed on standby. Relay this request to the Engine 3 Hazmat Company along with an address and incident type if possible.

WASHINGTON COUNTY HAZ-MAT INCIDENT

The fire call taker needs to follow the appropriate Fire Priority Dispatch Protocol.

In Washington County, the Engine 3 Hazmat Company, Hazmat 1, and a Squad (if the incident is in our normal EMS response area) will be dispatched along with Fayetteville's Engine 7 Hazmat Company, and the appropriate local Fire Department, to any reported hazmat incident. Depending on the incident needs, the Engine 3 Hazmat Captain or Battalion 1 may request additional Springdale Fire Department resources.

While units are responding to the incident, contact the Tulsa National Weather Service (800-697-2636) or consult the Weather Channel to collect the current wind speed, direction, and temperature for the area of the incident. Once this information has been collected, immediately pass it on to the responding units.

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BENTON COUNTY HAZ-MAT INCIDENT (Reference response area map)

The fire call taker needs to follow the appropriate Fire Priority Dispatch Protocol.

The Springdale Fire Department will respond the Engine 3 Hazmat Company, Hazmat 1, and a Squad (if the incident is in our normal EMS response area) along with the appropriate local Fire Department, to any reported hazmat incident in the referenced area. Additionally, the Rogers Fire Department Hazmat Response Team shall also be notified and dispatched as mutual aid to the incident. Depending on the incident needs, the Engine 3 Hazmat Captain or Battalion 1 may request additional Springdale Fire Department resources.

While units are responding to the incident, contact the Tulsa National Weather Service

(800-697-2636) or consult the Weather Channel to collect the current wind speed, direction, and temperature for the area of the incident. Once this information has been collected, immediately pass it on to the responding units.

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